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1. FOUR TECHNICAL EXPERTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ARE SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN GEORGETOWN THIS EVENING TO WORK WITH THE GUYANESE GOVERNMENT IN THEIR ONGOING INVESTIGATION OF THE JONESTOWN AFFAIR. THE GOG IS VERY SENSITIVE ABOUT THEIR PRESENCE AND THE TERM "FBI" IS NOT BEING USED. THE MEN, WHO WILL WORK WITH THEIR GUYANESE COUNTERPARTS, ARE EXPERTS IN BALLISTICS, SOUND RECORDINGS, AND PHOTOGRAPHY.

2. THE GUYANESE GOVERNMENT HAS APPOINTED A CONSERVATOR FOR THE PEOPLES TEMPLE ASSETS IN GUYANA. THE EMBASSY IS MAKING PROGRESS IN RETAINING GUYANESE LEGAL COUNSEL.

3. EMBASSY GEORGETOWN REPORTS THAT FIVE PEOPLES TEMPLE MEMBERS (FOUR OF WHOM ARE AMERICANS, INCLUDING TWO SURVIVORS) MAY HAVE BEEN GRANTED GUYANESE CITIZENSHIP EARLIER THIS YEAR IN ORDER TO MEET REQUIREMENTS FOR FORMING A LOCAL CORPORATION TO COVER PEOPLES TEMPLE ACTIVITIES IN GUYANA.

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:EIS DEVELOPMENT IS BEING STUDIED IN TERMS OF ITS POSSIBLE
:FFECT ON US ACTIONS WITH REGARD TO PEOPLES TEMPLE
.SSETS. CORPORATE STATUS MAY PRECLUDE THE EMBASSY FROM
:LAIMING CUSTODY OF ORGANIZATIONAL PROPERTY.
.. WE HAVE RECEIVED FROM GEORGETOWN THE DEATH CERTIFICATE
:ND ATTOPSY REPORT FOR CONGRESSMAN RYAN. COPIES HAVE
:EEN DELIVERED TO THE FBI AND SCS. CONGRESSIONAL REQUESTS
'OR THESE DOCUMENTS ARE BEING REFERRED TO THE JUSTICE
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5. IN RESPONSE TO A CALL FROM THE GOVERNOR OF DELAWARE,
'OHN BUSHNELL HAS AGREED THAT THERE WILL BE NO MASS
'URIAL IN DELAWARE OF UNIDENTIFIED BODIES, AND THAT, AT
SUCH TIME AS WE ARE REVIEWING OPTIONS, WE WILL SEEK
:HE VIEWS OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT REGARDING ANY UNIDENTI-
'IED OR UNCLAIMED BODIES. VANCE
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